

Bell companies operate an "essential facility", and should have to accommodate other ISP firms that wish to purchase access from them. This wholesale provisioning will stimulate competition and be of benefit to the consumers. To not do so would cripple the '96 Telecom Act. Chairman Powell: Please do not allow BIG BUSINESS to have illegal, leverage with the government regulators, which will destroy the competition that built our great nation and continues to keep our country strong.